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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 588  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the ladies of St. Mary's Episcopal School on their 2001 TSSAA Division 2 Tennis Team and Doubles State Championships.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted student-athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this state; and

WHEREAS, the tennis team at St. Mary's Episcopal School is comprised of such estimable Tennesseans; in 2001, they won the TSSAA Division 2 State Girls Tennis Championship; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, dedication, and hard work, they maximized their considerable talents and reached the pinnacle of high school athletics; and

WHEREAS, the ladies of St. Mary's Episcopal School have ensured that they will forever be remembered as one of the greatest teams ever to grace the tennis courts of this state; and

WHEREAS, the tremendous athletes on the State Team included Whitney Williams, Lisa Mabry, Kelly Sandefer, Blair Carter, Elizabeth Fong, and Lori Goldstein; and

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WHEREAS, other dedicated members of the St. Mary's regular squad were Betsy Matthews, Jordan Robbins, Katie Friend, Suzanne Manugian, Varsha Karkera, and Kayleigh McKee; and

WHEREAS, the team was ably guided by their highly regarded coach, Michael Volpe, who helped precipitate their unrivalled success by sharing his deep love and great knowledge of the sport; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the Team Championship, Lisa Mabry and Kelly Sandefer added to the legend of the 2002 St. Mary's tennis team by winning the TSSAA Division 2 State Doubles Championship; and

WHEREAS, these ladies epitomize all that is good in today's student-athlete, as they have achieved the highest level of success in sports, while evidencing the most circumspect character both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young student-athletes not only made possible a championship tennis season, but also surely bode well for their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud the 2001 St. Mary's Episcopal School Tennis Team for their success on the court and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we join the administration, faculty, staff, students, parents and fans of St. Mary's Episcopal School in celebrating the school's 2001 TSSAA Division 2 Tennis Team and Doubles Championships and honor and commend the talented ladies who achieved this supreme success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish them much continued success and happiness in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.